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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action dated July 23, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.; the period for response having been extended up to and including December 23, 2002, by submission of the requisite petition and fee, attached.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification as follows:

Delete the paragraph on page 55, spanning lines 17-18 and insert the following therefor:

-- FIG. 73: represents the DNA sequence of the 16S-23S spacer region from
Staphylococcus saprophyticus UZG CNS46 (SEQ ID NO 148)--

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